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## JOB-WORK

Best equipped Job Print-  
ing establishment in the  
section of the State. We  
insure satisfaction; price  
reasonable.

## TRY US.

CARRANZA is "perking up." Has  
he formed a secret alliance with "Me  
and Gott?"

The gentleman from Massachusetts  
—his name? Wm. Henry Cabott  
Lodge, I believe—seems to be in re-  
tirement, along with Teddy, only more  
so.

I hold no brief for Bishop Tuttle,  
but insist that he has the bible to sus-  
tain him in the declaration that there  
is no sin in the making or drinking of  
liquor. Neither by precept nor ex-  
ample did Jesus give warrant for  
Prohibition. Of this, more anon.

A SPECIAL from Bismarck, N. D.,  
under date of February 17, states that  
the Legislature that day passed a bill  
removing the Sunday "dry" which had  
been clamped down on cigar and news  
stands, taxi stands, poolrooms, con-  
fectionary stores, bakeries, news-  
papers, telephone and telegraph com-  
panies and street cars. I am glad to  
know that there is, here and there,  
all too rare, a returning to the whole-  
some conviction that religious ob-  
servance ought to be left to the in-  
dividual conscience—not enforced by  
human statute.

When Senator Jas. A. Reed intro-  
duced an amendment (how he chuck-  
led to himself as he did it) making it  
a crime to import liquors into a Pro-  
hibition State, the hypocritical "dry"  
in the Senate opposed it. The amend-  
ment to the postal bill he proposed to  
so further amend was that denying  
the use of the mails to newspapers  
and other publications carrying liquor  
advertisements. But the hypocritical  
"drys" don't want to deny themselves  
the liquors they are willing to debar  
from you and me. I think the Reed  
amendment is the natural and logical  
sequence to the other, and but em-  
phasizes the fool fanaticism which in-  
duces such legislation. The govern-  
ment recognizes the liquor business  
as legitimate and collects hundreds  
of millions from it every year; yet the  
proposed legislation bars the adver-  
tising of its products! Could blinded  
inconsistency further go? How much  
lower will Congressmen tremulously  
bow to the passing craze, kept going  
mainly through the efforts of hired  
"reformers" working upon the  
emotional? As the Post-Dispatch  
says, "Both amendments are rot from  
the standpoint of democracy and of  
sane, just legislation. Both represent  
tyrannous abuse of the legislative  
power." Senator Ingalls (the biggest  
man ever known to the soil of Kan-  
sas) said, twenty years ago, "If a Kan-  
sas is not called upon restrictive legis-  
lation, in fifty years this will be the  
most despotically ruled people on  
earth." His prediction is being rapid-  
ly verified. Would that the evil could  
affect only the short-sighted who  
bring it on themselves!

### The Bradley-Cox Contest.

(From The Dunklin Democrat.)  
The taking of testimony in the  
Bradley-Cox election contest was en-  
ded in Maries county, last Friday.

On Tuesday, January 23d, at Vi-  
enna, the taking of testimony was  
begun, and by Thursday night, Febru-  
ary 1st, the taking of testimony of  
800 had been taken.

By agreement between the contest-  
ants, on February 2, it was stipulated  
that 400 more Democrats would testi-  
fy similar to what 300 representative  
Democrats had already testified to. It  
was also stipulated that the remain-  
ing 111 had voted the ticket at the  
general election bearing the name of  
Arch A. Johnson instead of the  
regular nominee for the court of ap-  
peals.

Bradley needed only 1080 and the  
1200 gave him a margin of 141, which  
will serve the same purpose that the  
full 1311 would serve. It was also  
stipulated that Bradley was the regu-  
lar Democratic nominee for the court  
of Appeals and that his name was  
properly certified to the county clerk  
of Maries county and was published  
correctly in two papers in Maries  
county.

It was also admitted that Bradley  
received so many votes outside of  
Maries county and that Judge Cox  
received so many votes outside of Ma-  
ries county.

In fact, an agreement was reached  
upon everything that is necessary to  
be proven so far as the pleadings are  
concerned, and so far as is necessary  
to make the case absolutely complete  
before the supreme court.

There can now be but one question,  
and that question is: Can the Maries  
county votes be counted for Bradley,  
after those fellows have testified that  
it was their intention to vote for him?  
When Mr. Bradley filed his applica-  
tion in the supreme court, Judge Cox  
answered and admitted everything  
except that the Democrats of Maries  
county intended to vote for him, Mr.  
Bradley. This he specifically denied,  
and is no longer a fact in issue, be-  
cause Judge Cox and his attorney  
offered no evidence to contradict the  
expression of those voters as to their  
intention; so that fact is taken as  
established.

At the time Judge Cox answered,  
he filed a motion challenging the

competency of any evidence from a  
voter as to what he intended when he  
voted; in other words, Cox's lawyers  
took the position that Bradley could  
not prove by oral evidence that those  
Democrats in Maries county intended.  
The supreme court overruled this  
motion, thereby holding that it was  
competent in this case to prove by  
oral evidence the intention of the  
voters.

No one cannot imagine any turn  
that could now be taken or that might  
come about whereby the court could  
decide against Bradley. The court  
determined the competency of the  
evidence when it overruled the motion  
levelled specifically at that particular  
proposition.

The supreme court has recently held  
in a contested election that went up  
from Butler county that since the  
adoption of the Australian ballot sys-  
tem in Missouri, the voters had a right  
to rely on the officials whose duty it  
may be to prepare the ballots, to do  
it correctly. It is not the duty of the  
voter to nose out for himself the cor-  
rectness or incorrectness of his ballot.  
He has a right to rely upon having a  
correct ballot furnished him.

The commissioner is ordered to re-  
port to the supreme court his finding  
of facts by March 1st. The stenog-  
rapher who took the testimony for the  
commissioner is transcribing the  
testimony in St. Louis, and it will take  
about two weeks to complete it, there  
being about one thousand pages.  
When the commissioner has received  
the transcript of the evidence, he will  
make his finding of facts and report  
to the supreme court and the case will  
then be set down at an early date for  
argument.

An early decision of the court is ex-  
pected and Mr. Bradley does not an-  
ticipate defeat. It appears that the  
only issue has already been deter-  
mined by the court.

### Consolidation of Districts for High School Purposes.

To the Patrons and Friends of  
School Districts Nos. 2, 3, 14, 15, 16,  
and 17.

Whereas, a petition has been filed  
with me asking me to call a special  
election to vote to consolidate the  
above named districts, and realizing  
that the people in general wish to be  
informed on the subject, I feel that it  
is my duty to state briefly the follow-  
ing facts:

1. The State will pay one-fourth of  
the cost of a central school building  
and equipment under the following  
conditions: 1st—The district must  
secure a five acre site. 2d—Provide  
an assembly room in which the peo-  
ple of the community may gather on  
school occasions. 3d—Must install a  
modern heating and ventilating sys-  
tem; provided the one-fourth of build-  
ing does not cost more than \$2000.00.  
Then if a district desires to erect an  
eight thousand dollar building and  
equipment, it can vote bonds for six  
thousand and let the contract for  
building and equipment to the amount  
of eight thousand. When the build-  
ing is near completion said district  
can make application to the State  
Superintendent of Schools for the two  
thousand dollars. It is not necessary  
for the district to vote the entire  
amount and pay for the building be-  
fore applying for state aid. The State  
will also pay one-fourth cost of cheap-  
er building and equipment; provided  
the above conditions are met.

2. The state will pay \$25.00 yearly  
for each square mile or fraction there-  
of in the area of the consolidated  
school district for the purpose of  
maintaining the high school; upon  
the following conditions: 1st—Dis-  
trict must provide adequate building.  
2d—Must maintain a two years' ap-  
proved high school. 3d—Must offer  
an approved unit in Agriculture. Not  
more than \$800.00 will be paid to  
any one district. One approved  
high school teacher can do the two  
years' high school work and can be  
easily secured for \$800.00 per year.  
The two years' work must be main-  
tained in order to secure State aid,  
but a consolidated district may, when  
it so desires, establish a three or four  
year high school.

3. The public funds are apportioned  
to the consolidated districts accord-  
ing to the enumeration and attend-  
ance of the pupils, the same as it is  
apportioned to rural and town  
schools. The public money, together  
with the tuition received from non-  
resident pupils, will be used to main-  
tain the elementary schools of the  
district. The district will receive the  
same amount under consolidation as  
did all of the districts formerly. The  
board must maintain the elementary  
school for a period of 8 months; pro-  
vided the funds are sufficient to do so.

4. You have your choice of main-  
taining your local school as it is at the  
present or you may send all pupils  
to the central school. If only the ad-  
vanced pupils go it will be necessary  
for them to furnish their own con-  
veyance. If the pupils are transported  
to the school a vote must be taken  
to provide said transportation, a two-  
thirds vote being necessary before  
the board can provide same.

5. It requires a majority vote to  
consolidate, but a two-thirds vote to  
bond the district.

6.—A levy of twenty cents on the  
100 dollars assessed valuation should  
easily pay the principal and interest  
in ten years.

The election will soon be called, as I  
am compelled by law to call same  
within thirty days, and before voting  
on the proposition we ask you to  
study it carefully, keeping in mind  
the fact that this is your school and  
that it is for the education of your  
boys and girls, and that you as voters  
are to decide this question of con-  
solidation.

Very Respectfully,  
G. W. HANSON, County Superintendent  
of Schools.

### Dr. and Mrs. Patton Celebrate Anniver- sary.

(Cape Girardeau Republican.)  
Another well known couple of Cape  
Girardeau, who Saturday celebrated  
the anniversary of their wedding, are  
Dr. and Mrs. Warren Clark Patton.

Twenty-five years ago the doctor  
and Miss Mollie Endicott Chaplin,  
were married at the residence of the  
bride's mother in San Jose, Calif.

Dr. Patton while a native Missour-  
ian, has spent a great part of his life  
in California. He took up the study  
of medicine at the old Missouri Medi-  
cal School in St. Louis in 1879, and  
later graduated at the Drake Univer-  
sity in Iowa. Shortly after taking  
his degree at the latter college in  
1882, he began his practice in Iron  
county. Later he went to California  
and practiced in San Jose and other  
large cities in the west. He returned  
to Missouri about twenty-three years  
ago and took up his residence in Cape  
Girardeau where, since that time, he  
has been a prominent figure in the  
political and medical circles of the  
city.

He was Mayor of Cape Girardeau  
from 1906 to 1908 and during his term  
of office a new standard of pro-  
gressiveness was inaugurated in city  
government that started the town on  
its upward climb and prepared the  
way for the present prosperity.

Five children were born to Dr. and  
Mrs. Patton, all of whom are living  
and who had intended making the oc-  
casion a day of festivities for their  
parents, but owing to Mrs. Patton  
just recovering from a severe attack  
of la grippe, it was decided to spend  
the day quietly at their home, 409  
Themis street, with only a big family  
dinner as the celebration. The Pat-  
ton children are Marie, Marcia,  
Mollie, Lillian and Leslie.

### 40 Acres for \$40,000 and Royalty.

(The Farmington Times.)  
Just as we go to press we are re-  
liably informed that the Apex Min-  
ing Company has sold forty acres of  
their holdings for \$40,000.

The original organizers were G. M.  
London, W. L. Hensley, P. A. Shaw  
and L. H. Williams.

Mr. G. M. London is Field Manager  
for this company and we understand  
that he is largely responsible for the  
success of the company.

In addition to the \$40,000 considera-  
tion to be distributed among the var-  
ious stockholders, we understand  
that the four original organizers re-  
ceive a two and one-half per cent  
royalty on the gross earnings for the  
life of the lease.

### Fair Exchange.

A New Back for an Old One. How it Can  
be Done in Ironton.

The back aches at times with a dull,  
indescribable feeling, making you  
weary and restless; piercing pains  
shoot across the region of the kid-  
neys, and again the joints are so lame  
that to stoop is agony. No use to  
rub or apply plaster to the back if  
the kidneys are weak. You cannot  
reach the cause. Ironton residents  
would do well to profit by the follow-  
ing example:

F. Bradford, carpenter, Federal  
Hill, Flat River, Mo., says: "My kid-  
neys acted irregularly and the kidney  
secretions were unnatural. I bought  
Doan's Kidney Pills and used them as  
directed. They rid me of the back-  
aches and put my kidneys in good  
order."

Price 50c, at all dealers. Don't  
simply ask for kidney remedy—get  
Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that  
Mr. Bradford had. Foster-Milburn  
Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y.—Adv.

### Enough Items.

Winter with all of its unpleasant-  
ness. Still strengthening its hold  
with colds and grippe. According to  
Mr. Groundhog winter has come to  
stay for 40 days.

Sick folks in and around Enough  
are, I understand, convalescent. Mrs.  
D. R. Hartzell is able to visit after  
quite a serious spell of sickness. Miss  
Grace Crocker is up after having a  
genuine case of chicken pox.

L. E. Hartzell visited his parents at  
Enough, not long since.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Abbott and  
little son visited Mr. and Mrs. G. A.  
Hartzell at Enough last week.

Mrs. Lisa Jennings is on the sick  
list.

Mr. Ross Conner of Shepard has his  
store well stocked. Step in, patrons,  
make him a call, he always treats his  
customers fine.

Enough store is doing a very good  
business. Trade seems to be increas-  
ing right along.

G. A. Hartzell is kept quite busy  
teaching store, flour mill, and one saw  
mill, with a few other things thrown  
in to fill up the time.

Messrs G. A. Hartzell and D. R.  
Hartzell made a business trip to  
Ironton a few days ago.

D. R. Hartzell will start sawing at  
the Hartzell Milling Company's new  
saw mill near Goodwater, the 12th of  
February.

Miss Verna Crocker, of Enough  
School, was on the 8th of February.  
She and her pupils rendered quite a  
nice programme, after which she had  
a treat for all. Among the visitors  
were Mrs. Frank Martin, Mrs. Steve  
Barger and several others. The writ-  
er did not participate in the good

time, sorry to say. But I wish Miss  
Verna success in her school work.

E. G. O'Bannon was a caller at  
Enough. He is thinking of making  
staves in the near future. Wish you  
success, Mr. O'Bannon.

This winter weather has the timber  
frozen so hard that saw mill men are  
almost on a stand still.

Mrs. Edith Henry, of Montana, with  
her sister, Mrs. Bergrin Ramsey, of  
Bismarck, were visitors at their par-  
ents, Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Scott, of  
this place, quite recently.

Victor Boring, one of our traveling  
salesmen, was a caller at Enough one  
day last week.

Ran Jennings and his bride stopped  
at this place on their way home the  
8th.

Mrs. Winfrey, of O'Bannon's mill,  
has had Sunday School all winter.  
She is a good Christian lady, and the  
interests of her people are very near  
to her. I think she has the respect  
of all right thinking people.

### SUNNY SOUTH.

February 13th, 1917.



THE Texas Wonder cures kidney and  
bladder troubles, dissolves gravel, cures  
diabetes, weak and lame backs, rheuma-  
tism and all irregularities of the kidneys and  
bladder in both men and women. If not sold  
by your druggist, will be sent by mail on re-  
ceipt of \$3.00. One small bottle is two months'  
treatment and seldom fails to perfect cure.  
Send for testimonials from this and other  
states. Dr. E. W. Hall, 203 Olive Street,  
St. Louis, Mo. Sold by druggists. Adv.

### Bellevue News.

Sam Middleton of St. Louis was a  
business visitor here Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Townsend  
were shopping in Ironton Thursday.

Russell Hawkins, of Ironton, spent  
Saturday and Sunday with his aunt,  
Mrs. W. H. Russell.

Mrs. Virginia McCall and daughter,  
Miss Grace, spent Wednesday in Iron-  
ton.

Mr. and Mrs. Mrs. O. R. Robinson  
returned Sunday from a few days'  
visit with Mr. Robinson's parents,  
Rev. and Mrs. A. M. Robinson, near  
Irondale.

Mrs. Chas. Paulus left last Friday  
for her home in Oklahoma City, hav-  
ing spent two months with relatives  
here. She was accompanied by her  
mother, Mrs. Bollinger.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Hughes and  
son, Richard, of near Bismarck, spent  
Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. W. A.  
Townsend.

Miss Gladys Bell returned Sunday  
to Marlin College, having spent a  
week at home.

Miss Florence Hatley returned Sun-  
day, after having spent several weeks  
with her mother in Harrisburg, Ills.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Bell left Sunday  
for a short visit with relatives in St.  
Louis and Southland.

Rev. H. P. Crow, Presiding Elder  
of Farmington District, held the  
Second Quarterly Conference at the  
M. E. Church last Saturday. He  
preached two excellent sermons  
while here.

We are glad to say Mrs. A. A.  
Meador was able to return to her home  
last Wednesday, after having spent  
four weeks in Mullaphy Hospital,  
St. Louis. While she is yet far from  
being well or strong, her condition is  
so much improved that hopes are  
cherished of her entire recovery  
soon.

J. C. Middleton, who recently sold  
his home in Ironton, has moved to  
Irondale last Saturday. Mr. Hartzell  
is moving from Dr. Farrar's farm to  
his newly purchased farm this week.  
Russell Farrar will have charge of his  
father's farm and stock until the  
Dr. and family come in the spring.

Last Wednesday was "Red Letter  
Day" in the business in our town.  
We were informed that over 700  
were unloaded in the yard that day.  
This is a good price this winter, and  
the roads have been fairly good for  
hauling.

Miss Ruth Bynum entertained with  
a Valentine Social on last Wednesday  
evening. About 15 couples of young  
persons were present. Games suit-  
able to the occasion were enjoyed.  
Partners for supper were matched by  
placing all the girls behind sheets with  
slits just large enough for one hand  
of each girl. The young men selected  
the hand they wanted, slipped a ring on  
her finger (rings were made of horse-  
shoe nails). They were tied together  
with a red ribbon and sent to the din-  
ing room. This created a lot of fun.  
After lunch the Valentine Box was  
opened. We won't try to describe  
the beautiful (?) valentines. Suffice  
to say no one was slighted.

### ALPHA.

### Teachers' Examination.

The next regular examination will be  
held in the public school building,  
Ironton, Friday and Saturday, March  
2d and 3d, 1917.

ORDER OF SUBJECTS—FIRST DAY.  
Geography, 8 to 9:30 A. M.  
Language, 9 to 10:30 A. M.  
Algebra, 10 to 11:30 A. M.  
Orthography, 11:30 A. M. to 12:30 P. M.

Grammar, 1:30 to 3 P. M.  
Arithmetic, 3:30 to 4 P. M.  
Literature, 4:30 to 5 P. M.  
Reading, 5:30 to 6 P. M.

SECOND DAY.  
Civil Government, 8 to 9:30 A. M.  
U. S. History, 9 to 10:30 A. M.  
Agriculture, 10 to 11:30 A. M.  
Adv. Science, 11 A. M. to 12:30 P. M.  
Physiology, 1:30 to 3 P. M.  
Pedagogy, 3:30 to 4 P. M.  
Adv. History, 4:30 to 5 P. M.

G. W. HANSON, Sup't. Schools  
for Iron County.

Ed Reed, the expert wagon maker  
now in the employ of E. E. Johnston,  
at Bellevue, and who is turning out  
some first-class wagons. All per-  
sons are pleased. Call and see  
him.

### Goodland Items.

After the very cold weather we cer-  
tainly enjoy the pleasant days and the  
bright sunshine.

Mrs. Chas. Martin and infant son  
are very ill.

Mrs. C. A. White returned lately  
from a visit to Chicago. Her father,  
Mr. Carter, accompanied her home.

John Love is enjoying his new Ford  
car.

Sam Larve has bought a farm in  
Hickory Hollow and will build a new  
dwelling house soon.

Mr. Blue of Ironton was in the West  
End this week.

Mrs. Roger has been seriously ill  
for six weeks and at this writing is no  
better.

Mr. Downard will teach two months  
more of school for us, beginning next  
Monday.

The roads are pretty good just now  
while frozen. Large loads of ties,  
hubs, staves and lumber are taken to  
the railroad every day. Yes, every  
day, sometimes on Sunday.

In one column of this week's REG-  
ISTER there are twenty-one items, six-  
teen of them being death notices. The  
children write from the Univer-  
sity, that during the very cold weather  
they were uncomfortably cold in their  
boarding houses.

The writer wishes Mr. and Mrs.  
Boardman much joy of their little  
daughter.

Clifford Adams talks of going back  
to Montana soon.

Mr. Editor, we notice your editorial  
on Prohibition. One would think to  
read it that you were an old drunkard,  
which we know is not true. We want  
it not so much for ourselves—our  
fathers, brothers, sons. One fellow  
said, "I don't like to see a teetotaler  
drunk." Neither do we like to read  
items from ministers of God, uphold-  
ing the drinking of intoxicants. Nor  
do we think it just the thing to bring  
into such controversies the name of  
our elder brother, Jesus, as having  
anything to do with intoxicating wine.  
TIMOTHY HAY.

### How's This?

We offer One Hundred Dollars  
Reward for any case of Catarrh  
that cannot be cured by Hall's  
Catarrh Cure.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.  
We, the undersigned, have known F. J.  
Cheney for 15 years, and believe  
him perfectly honorable in all business  
transactions and financially able to carry  
out all obligations made by him.  
NATIONAL AGENCY OF COMMERCE,  
Toledo, O.

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally,  
acting directly upon the blood and mu-  
cous surfaces of the system. Testimonials  
sent free. Price 75 cents per bottle. Sold  
by all druggists.

Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

### Potosi a Live Town.

Editor Independent—You have one  
of the busiest towns that I make in  
Southeast Missouri. Everything is in  
a whirl up and around the depot. I  
never saw things so busy, building  
houses, barns, saw and planing mills.  
The streets are crowded with teams  
hauling lumber, ties, mining props,  
lead, zinc, barytes, etc. I lived here  
from 1867 to 1871, and we had a boom  
then but nothing to compare with this.

I went into the barber shop and  
got a shave. I remarked to the bar-  
ber that it was the first shave I had  
had in Potosi in 46 years—a long  
time between shaves.

THOS. P. FRIZ.

Potosi, Mo., January 29, 1917.

### Obituary.

Lawrence Lonzo Lashly, youngest  
son of Samuel and Hannah Lashly,  
was born near Arcadia, Mo., Septem-  
ber 20th, 1893, and died at his home in  
Lesterville, January 31, 1917.

He was united in marriage with  
Rosa Lester, of Lesterville, Mo., July  
3, 1915. To this union was born one  
child, little Mildred Lucille, who sur-  
vives him. He leaves to mourn his  
loss a wife and daughter, two sisters  
and four brothers, Mrs. Wm. Ander-  
son of Middlebrook, Mo.; Mrs. Neal  
Ward, of Albuquerque, New Mexico;  
Chas. F. Lashly of Ironton, Mo.; Ed-  
gar Lashly and Jesse Lashly of Ar-  
cadia, Mo., and Oscar Lashly of  
Lesterville. His father and mother  
having gone on before.

He professed a strong hope in Jesus  
and bid his friends and relatives not  
to grieve after him, for he was pre-  
pared to meet his Savior face to face.  
Death to him was gain. As he lay in  
his Savior's silent embrace, his face  
portrayed the calm joy that had come  
into his eternal life, and as friends  
looked upon the cold, lifeless form,  
the one thought came: "How peace-  
ful must be this last rest! Yes, beau-  
tiful in death! How blest the righteous  
when he dies!"

The funeral services were held at  
the home, on Friday, February 1,  
1917, by Rev. Brooks of Centerville,  
Mo. His body was laid to rest in the  
Lesterville cemetery.

### A FRIEND.

### Obituary.

On the 31st day of August 1945,  
there was born in Toronto, Canada, a  
baby who was christened Robert Ed-  
ward. He was the son of William  
Purkies. His mother was a Miss  
Oates.

At the age of six, his parents moved  
to Bay City, Michigan, where Robert  
grew to manhood, and where he serv-  
ed a regular apprenticeship as a cab-  
inet maker. It was easy for him to  
become a proficient carpenter and  
then a builder.

At twenty-five years of age, he  
came to Ironton; soon after he won  
the hand of Miss Elizabeth Johnson  
Logan of Arcadia, whom he married  
the 10th day of January, 1912.

In Bay City, Brother Purkies united  
with the Methodist Episcopal Church,  
and some time after coming to Iron-  
ton, he joined the Methodist Church  
here. Later on, he united with the  
Presbyterian Church.

Eight children were born to Mr.  
and Mrs. Purkies, three of whom died  
in infancy, and one later on in life.

Four children survive him: to-wit,  
Mrs. Eva Russell of Bismarck, Roy of  
Little Rock, Miss Ethel of Bismarck,  
and Robert of Little Rock. He also  
left seven grandchildren.

March 5th, 1907, Mrs. Purkies died,  
and since that time he lived alone—  
usually at hotels, I believe.

When Mr. Reed, the proprietor of  
the Willard Hotel, moved his place  
of business to the Castle, he was arrang-  
ing his room in the new quarter, when he  
sank on his knees and expired.